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SUBJ: MEXICAN TOURIST CARDS

REF: STATE 198352

CONSULAR OFFICER DISCUSSED WITH GABRIEL ROMERO BARRAGAN, CHIEF OF THE OFFICE OF POBLACION IN GUADALAJARA. ROMERO APPARENTLY AWARE OF THE ARTICLE, AND WAS VEHEMENT IN HIS DENIAL OF ITS CONTENT AND SAID HE WAS NOT ONLY MISQUOTED, BUT HAD NOT AUTHORIZED THE ARTICLE. REITERATED ALREADY STATED GOM POLICY OF HAVING 180 DAY PERMITS ISSUED BY MEXICAN CONSULATES, WITH 90 DAY PERMITS OBTAINABLE FROM AIRLINES EXTENDABLE TO 180 DAYS WITHOUT DELAY IF MERITED. ALSO DENIES ANY KNOWLEDGE OF PAYOFFS.

ROMERO REPLIED AS EXPECTED, BUT CONGEN HAS ALREADY HEARD MANY STORIES, MOSTLY EMANATING FROM PERSONS CROSSING AT TEXAS-MEXICO BORDER, THAT AT BORDER 180 DAY PERMITS WERE CHANGED TO 30 DAYS BY MEXICAN IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS. UNABLE TO VERIFY HERE WHETHER THESE STORIES TRUE OR ACCURATE. AT ANY RATE, IT WOULD APPEAR THAT ROMERO'S OFFICE WOULD NOT HAVE CHANCE TO CHANGE MANY 180 DAY PERMITS TO 30 DAYS, EVEN IF THIS WAS HIS WISH, SINCE COMPARATIVELY FEW OF THE PERMANENT RESIDENTS; TOURISTS FLY INTO GUADALAJARA WITHOUT FIRST HITTING ANOTHER IMMIGRATION CHECKPOINT.

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